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SUBJECT: ANDEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS CRITICIZE FRENCH ATOMIC
TESTS AND U.S. ECONOMIC POLICIES

REF: LIMA 5562 (NOTAL)

1. AUGUST 1-3 CONFERENCE OF ANDEAN PACT FOREIGN MINISTERS
CONCLUDED WITH ISSUANCE 24-POINT COMMUNIQUE AS WELL AS TWO
SEPARATE DECLARATIONS ON FRENCH NUCLEAR TESTS AND INTER-
AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK.

2. IN JOINT DECLARATION, SIX ANDEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS (BOLIVIA,
CHILE, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, PERU AND VENEZUELA) CALLED FRENCH
ATMOSPHERIC NUCLEAR TESTING CONTRARY TO WORLD PEACE AND
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SECURITY AND SAID THEY WOULD APPEAL JOINTLY TO UNITED NATIONS

TO HALT TESTING. NO MENTION MADE OF PRC.

3. ANOTHER DECLARATION CALLED FOR REFORM INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK AND STATED INTENTION TAKE JOINT STEPS TO PREVENT DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES AGAINST CERTAIN COUNTRIES. THIS OBVIOUS BUT INDIRECT CRITICISM OF US VETO POWER IN BANK.

4. IN 24-POINT COMMUNIQUE, MINISTERS PLEDGED FIRM SUPPORT OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO ANDEAN INTEGRATION. INTER ALIA, COMMUNIQUE CALLED FOR STUDYING WAYS TO POOL FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES, FOR URGENT CREATION OF LEGAL MECHANISM TO RESOLVE POSSIBLE DISAGREEMENTS ARISING FROM PACT OBLIGATIONS, AND FOR COMMON ANDEAN POSITIONS IN LATIN AMERICAN REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS CECLA AND LAFTA.

5. POINT 18 STATED THAT: "WE REITERATE OUR STRONGEST REJECTION OF ANY LEGISLATIVE OR ECONOMIC MEASURES WHICH INVOLVE COERCION AGAINST COUNTRIES WHICH ARE TRYING TO PROTECT AND EXPLOIT THEIR OWN NATURAL RESOURCES...."

6. BECOMING MORE SPECIFIC, POINT 20 REPUDIATED PROPOSED GONZALEZ AMENDMENT NOTING THAT IT WAS EVEN MORE SEVERE THAN HICKENLOOPER AMENDMENT. MINISTERS DEPLORED THAT PURELY ECONOMIC INTERESTS OF A SMALL NUMBER OF PRIVATE COMPANIES CAN TRIGGER ACTIONS THAT SEVERELY THREATEN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF ANDEAN PEOPLES AND ARE NOT CONSISTENT WITH INTERNATIONAL LAW (SIC).

7. POINT 21 CALLED UPON USG TO REVISE AMERICAN COMMERCIAL POLICIES AS WELL AS TO CEASE UNILATERAL ACTIONS SUCH AS STOCK-PILE SALES WHICH DAMAGE ANDEAN ECONOMIES.

8. IN PRESS INTERVIEWS, ANDEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS STRESSED ECONOMICS. IN ONE INTERVIEW, COLOMBIAN FOREIGN MINISTER LAMENTED THAT US WAS INVESTING IN SOCIALIST COUNTRIES WHILE REDUCING PRIVATE COMMITMENTS IN ANDEAN AREA. CHILEAN FOREIGN MINISTER'S CLAIM THAT SKYLAB SPACE PHOTOGRAPHY VIOLATED CHILEAN AIRSPACE ALSO REPORTED IN PRESS. OVERALL, HOWEVER, STRESS WAS ON ECONOMIC INTEGRATION AND NEED FOR JOINT ANDEAN ACTION IN REGIONAL FORUMS.

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